



Satellite image with enhanced low cloud-top temperatures (degrees C) for 6:45 a.m. EST (NOAA)

Agricultural Weather Highlights - Tuesday - July 10, 2001

- ***In the West***, beneficial showers continue across the ***Intermountain region***. However, unfavorably hot, mostly dry weather persists in the drought-affected ***Northwest***, further stressing pastures, filling winter wheat, and spring-sown dryland crops.
- ***On the Plains***, very hot, dry weather continues to stress pastures and summer crops, including corn, cotton, and peanuts, across the ***southern half of the region***. On the ***northern High Plains***, widespread, locally heavy showers and thunderstorms are disrupting winter wheat harvesting but aiding spring-sown small grains, in or nearing reproduction.
- ***In the Corn Belt***, very warm, dry weather and generally adequate soil moisture levels favor corn and soybean development and soft red winter wheat harvesting.
- ***In the South***, hot weather is spreading into the region, increasing crop-water requirements and evaporation rates. Today's high temperatures are forecast to range from 95 to 100 degrees F.

Outlook: For the remainder of the week, significant rainfall is expected across the ***northern half of the Plains*** and in the ***Southeast***. Mild, mostly dry weather is forecast in the ***Corn Belt***, while hot, dry conditions will persist in the ***south-central U.S.*** The NWS 6-10 day outlook for July 15-19 calls for hot, dry weather on the ***central and southern Plains***. Scattered showers will help to suppress temperatures in the ***West***, while cool, wet weather is expected from the ***Mississippi River to the East Coast***.

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